

REMARKS / ARGUMENTS

In complete response to the outstanding Official Action of October 2, 2003, the Advisory Action of December 19, 2003, and the second Advisory Action of August 27, 2004 on the above-identified application, reconsideration is respectfully requested. Claims 1-10 remain in this application. Claims 11-24 have been cancelled.

Allowable Subject Matter:

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the indication that Claims 1-10 are free of the prior art.

CONCLUSION

In view of the current amendments, the present application now stands in condition for allowance. Early notice to this effect is earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that a telephone call would expedite prosecution of this application, he is invited to call the undersigned attorney at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,


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